

DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

REGION 4
245 WEST BROADWAY, SUITE 350
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590-4868



July 1, 1993

Dear Interested Party:

This is to update you on the status of activities at the NESI Site (Ascon Landfill) in Huntington Beach.

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (Department) has declared the NESI group out of compliance with the Consent Agreement signed January 16, 1991. This determination was made because NESI failed to provide a performance bond for their activities and failed to proceed with the removal of the liquid sludges from the site, in accordance with the workplan approved in September 1992.

On May 24, 1993, the Department received a letter from NESI Investment Group indicating that the NESI site was foreclosed upon by Signal Mortgage company. A Signal Mortgage Company representative has contacted the Department to confirm the change of ownership. A meeting between the Department and Signal Mortgage Company will be held soon to discuss the status of the site.

In the meantime, the Department has initiated a search for other potentially responsible parties (PRPs) for the site. These PRPs can include past or current owners and operators of the site as well as generators of the waste placed there. The PRP search will include reviewing old records, collecting and screening information, and searching for evidence regarding waste disposal at the NESI Site (Ascon Landfill).

We appreciate your concern and patience throughout this process. The Department is firmly committed to protection of the public health and the environment and will continue to update you on the status of this project.

For additional information regarding the NESI Site, or if you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Mr. Haissam Salloum at (310) 590-4916 or Ms. Kristin Andersen at (310) 590-4991.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John E. Scandura".

John E. Scandura, Chief
Site Mitigation Branch